

What is claimed is:

1. A printing apparatus that performs printing based on data acquired from a server on a network,  
5 comprising:
  - an input device that inputs data identification data for identifying data stored in the server on the network;
  - 10 a registration device that registers server identification data for identifying the server on the network, according to input from a user; and
  - 15 a determination device that compares the data identification data input by said input device with the server identification data registered by said registration device to determine whether to acquire data from the server on the network.
2. A printing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein server identification data identifying at least one server from which data is permitted to be acquired  
20 or server identification data identifying at least one server from which data is inhibited from being acquired is registered.
3. A printing apparatus according to claim 1, comprising a device that specifies a protocol for access  
25 to the server, and wherein said registration device registers the server identification data, and data indicating whether to permit access to the server by the

protocol.

4. A printing apparatus according to claim 1, comprising a device that specifying a port for access to the server, and wherein said registration device 5 registers the server identification data, and data indicating whether to permit access to the server via a port number.

5. A printing apparatus according to claim 1, comprising an access control device that provides 10 control to selectively permit or deny access to the server on the network according to a result of the determination made by said determination device.

6. A printing system comprising:  
a server located on a network, for storing print 15 data;

a host apparatus that transmits location data indicative of a location of said server on the network; and

a printing apparatus that receives and prints the 20 print data from said server according to the location data acquired from said host apparatus; and wherein said printing apparatus comprises:

a decoding device that decodes data indicating whether access to at least one server on the network is 25 to be permitted or not; and

a determination device that determines whether to permit or deny access to said server according to the

contents of the access restriction list.

7. A method of controlling a printing apparatus having a location data acquiring device that acquires location data indicative of a location of a server located on a network and storing print data, and a reference printing function of receiving and printing the print data from the server according to the acquired location data, comprising the steps of:

10 decoding data indicating whether access to at least one server on the network is to be permitted or not; and selectively permitting or denying access of the printing apparatus to the server, corresponding to the location data acquired from the location data acquiring device, according to the contents of the access

15 restriction list.

8. A computer-readable control program for controlling a printing apparatus having a location data acquiring device that acquires location data indicative of a location of a server located on a network and storing print data, and a reference printing function of receiving and printing the print data from the server according to the acquired location data, comprising:

20 a decoding module for decoding data indicating whether access to the server on the network is to be permitted or not; and

25 a connecting/disconnecting module for selectively permitting or denying access of the printing apparatus

to the server, corresponding to the location data acquired from the location data acquiring device, according to the contents of the access restriction list.